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Robert J. Baran Allergan, Inc. 2525 Dupont Drive Irvine CA 92612 Re: Patent Term Extension

Application for

U.S. Patent No. 5,089,509

Dear Mr. Baran:

A certificate under 35 U.S.C. § 156 is enclosed extending the term of U.S. Patent No. 5,089,509 for a period of 845 days.

While a courtesy copy of this letter is being forwarded to the Food and Drug Administration (FDA), you should directly correspond with the FDA regarding any required changes to the patent expiration dates set forth in the Patent and Exclusivity Data Appendix of the Orange Book (Approved Drug Products with Therapeutic Equivalence Evaluations) or in the Patent Information set forth in the Green Book (FDA Approved Animal Drug Products). The communication to FDA should included sending a copy of the certificate of extension to New Drug Application and another copy of the certificate of extension to Mary Ann Holovac, who will update the Orange Book. Mary Ann's address is

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Telephone inquiries regarding this communication should be directed to the undersigned at (703)306-3159.

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cc:

David T. Read

Acting Director Regulatory Policy Staff, CDER

Food and Drug Administration 1451 Rockville Pike, HFD-7

Rockville, MD 20852

Re: TAZORAC® (tazarotene) FDA Docket No. 98E-0474

UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

CERTIFICATE EXTENDING PATENT TERM UNDER 35 U.S.C. § 156

PATENT NO.

5,089,509

ISSUED

February 18, 1992

INVENTOR

Roshantha A. S. Chandraratna

PATENT OWNER

Allergan, Inc.

PRODUCT

TAZORAC® (tazarotene)

This is to certify that an application under 35 U.S.C. § 156 has been filed in the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, requesting extension of the term of U.S. Patent No. 5,089,509 based upon the regulatory review of the product TAZORAC® (tazarotene) by the Food and Drug Administration. Since it appears that the requirements of the law have been met, this certificate extends the term of the patent for the period of

845 days

from February 18, 2009, the original expiration date of the patent, subject to the provisions of 35 U.S.C. § 41(b), with all rights pertaining thereto as provided by 35 U.S.C. § 156(b).



I have caused the seal of the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office to be affixed this 12th day of September 2000.

O. Todd Dickinson

Under Secretary of Commerce for Intellectual Property and Director of the United States Patent and Trademark Office